

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's withdrawal of the prior Final Rejection. Applicants will now address the Examiner's new rejection in this new Final Rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

In the Final Rejection, the Examiner rejects Claims 20, 22, 26, 28, 32, 34, 38, 41, 43, 47, 49, 53 and 55 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim et al. (US 6,100,954) in view of Kataoka et al. (US 6,633,356). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In the rejection, the Examiner states that Kim '954 "lacks the at least one convex portion overlapping with the source wiring and pixel electrode." The Examiner then cites Kataoka '356 and contends that Kataoka '356 "teaches an organic photosensitive resin film or inorganic convex bump 128 that overlaps the source wiring and pixel electrode." Applicants have reviewed Kataoka '356 , and it appears that it discloses an alignment film (128) that appears to overlap a source electrode (144) and a picture elements electrode (112) in Fig. 32. However, Applicants respectfully that the Examiner's rejection is still incorrect and improper.

More specifically, independent Claims 20 and 22 do not recite "at least one convex portion overlapping with the source wiring and pixel electrode," as the Examiner alleges but instead recite "at least one convex portion... overlapping with the at least one source wiring"; and "*at least one pixel electrode partially overlapping with the at least one convex portion*" (emphasis added). Hence, the basis for the Examiner's rejection is incorrect.

In order to clarify this feature and advance the prosecution of this application, Applicants are amending independent Claims 20 and 22 to recite "at least one pixel electrode formed over, and partially overlapping with the at least one convex portion." This feature is not disclosed or

suggested by the cited references.

For example, Kataoka '359 appears to disclose, in Fig. 7A, at least one convex portion (28) overlapping with a Cs electrode (12); and the picture element (pixel) electrode (26) beneath, and partially overlapped with the at least one convex portion (28). Hence, the pixel electrode is not formed over, and partially overlapping with the at least one convex portion, as in the claimed invention.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that independent Claims 20 and 22 and those claims dependent thereon are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references and are patentable thereover. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any fee should be due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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